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OF THE

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OF THE

TOWN OF LITCHFIELD

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING FEB. 15, 1908

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SELECTMEN'S REPORT

INVENTORY APRIL 1907.

Polls, 71,	\$7100 00	
Lands and buildings,	143,585 00	
Horses, 88,	6,295 00	
Oxen, 2,	125 00	
Cows, 244,	7,660 00	
Other neat stock, 56,	995 00	
Hogs, 2,	50 00	
Stock in banks and corporations,	15,500 00	
Money on hand at interest,	7,139 00	
Stock in trade,	8,650 00	
	<hr/>	\$197,099 00

STATEMENT.

Total inventory,	\$197,099 00
Amount committed to collector, 1907,	2,070 70
Rate per cent,	1 05
State tax,	565 00
County tax,	442 00

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

Appropriation,	\$583 99	
Amount available for highways,		\$383 85
Paid E. P. Blodgett,	13 80	
D. R. Leach,	40 00	
Fred Mc Questen,	9 25	
John E. Lefavor,	140 72	
	<hr/>	\$203 77
Unexpended,		<hr/> \$180 08

STATE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT.

	Balance	1907	Total
Town contribution,	\$684 50	\$336 00	\$1,020 50
State contribution,	620 71	420 00	1,040 71
Total joint fund,	1,305 21	756 00	2,061 21
Town dirbursements approved,		1,756 76	
State disbursements,		32 18	
Total disbursements,			1,788 94
Paid by State to Town,	857 27		
Balance in Town Treasury,		121 01	
Balance in State Treasury,		151 26	
Total unexpended balance,			272 27
			<hr/>
			\$2,061 21

ABATEMENTS.

G. M. Reid,	\$2 10	
C. B. Campbell, collector, 1906,	1 05	
	<hr/>	\$3 15

LIBRARY.

Appropriation,		\$70 00
Paid Rev. J. P. Newell,	\$70 00	

SCHOOLS.

Appropriation,	\$847 50	
Dog licenses,	38 65	
Literary fund,	22 00	
Tuitions,	100 00	
Repair of schoolhouses,	75 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,083 15
Paid James Hopwood,	\$1,083 15	

BROWN TAIL MOTH.

Appropriation,	\$100 00
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Paid	for brown tail moths, 2,000 doz.	
	5 cts. per dozen,	100 00
	Peter Harris and son, cutting moths,	93 20

SALARIES.

Paid	Issac N. Center, town clerk,	\$12 00	
	Walter E. Mc Questen, treasurer,	10 00	
	Norris C. Griffin, selectman,	28 00	
	Geo. Danforth, selectman,	25 00	
	Roy H. Campbell, selectman,	20 00	
	Alfred P. Keyes, supervisor,	6 00	
	Clinton E. Leach, supervisor,	5 00	
	Alfred P. Shepard, supervisor,	4 00	
	Charles B. Campbell, collector 1906,	30 00	
	Charles B. Campbell, collector 1907,	30 00	
	James Butterfield, dog constable,	3 00	
	James Hopwood, schoolboard,	25 00	
	Amos Saunders, auditor,	1 00	
	Clinton E. Leach, auditor,	1 00	
	Walter E. Mc Questen, modera- tor, 1907,	3 00	
		<hr/>	\$203 00

MISCELLANEOUS.

Paid	A. F. Hildreth, town reports,	\$18 00	
	Mrs. Ella Haight, care of town hall,	4 00	
	Mrs. M. A. Leach, book and school supplies,	37 49	
	N. C. Griffin, burners, wicks, tax collector's book,	2 85	
	James Hopwood, for schools, flag pole, rope, etc.,	13 69	
		<hr/>	\$76 03

Paid	Burnham, Brown, Jones and	
	Warren, counsel in Tuttle case,	5 00
	E. A. Stratton, printing,	2 25
	F. L. Bancroft, book case for	
	town books,	5 00
	Telegraph Printing Co., printing,	
	check lists,	2 75
	Amos Saunders, 1 M. shingles,	3 75
	N. C. Griffin, telephoning Mr.	
	Harris in Boston,	35
	N. C. Griffin, expenses to Con-	
	cord, to pay State tax,	2 00
	N. C. Griffin, postage and sta-	
	tionery,	2 00
	N. C. Griffin, aid to travelers,	40
	Roy H. Campbell, aid to travelers,	70
	Geo. C. Danforth, with moth	
	pickers,	7 50
	Geo. C. Danforth, keeping tramps,	75
	James Butterfield, shingling town	
	hall,	1 50
		<hr/>
		\$109 98

EXPENDITURES.

Paid	state tax,	\$565 00
	county tax,	442 00
	schools,	1,083 15
	highways and bridges,	203 77
	state highways,	900 00
	library,	70 00
	Brown tail moth,	193 20
	salaries,	203 00
	miscellaneous,	109 98
	abatements,	3 15
		<hr/>
		\$3,773 25

RECEIPTS.

Received of state,	\$853 52
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Received of Mrs. Ella Haight, town hall,	2 00	
Received of Mrs. Ella Haight, use of town hall, Feb. 15,	2 00	
Paid treasurer,	—————	\$357 52
Unpaid taxes,	\$320 42	
Unpaid taxes as reported in 1906 with an error of	\$65 55	

NORRIS C. GRIFFIN,
GEORGE C. DANFORTH,
ROY H. CAMPBELL,
Selectmen of Litchfield.

We have this day examined the foregoing report and find the same correctly cast and well vouched.

AMOS SAUNDERS,
CLINTON E. LEACH,
Auditors.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Business transacted by former treasurer, I. N. Center after Feb. 15, 1907.

Received from selectmen, rent of hall,	\$2 00	
Paid selectmen orders,		\$44.08
Received of I. N. Center, former treasurer,	\$1,511 26	
Mechanics Bank, 5 per cent, 1906,	15 08	
Mechanics Bank, 15 per cent, 1907,	45 25	
C. B. Campbell, collector, 1906,	215 80	
C. B. Campbell, interest, 1906,	8 21	
C. B. Campbell, interest, 1907,	1,752 35	
town clerk, dog licenses,	51 60	
railroad tax,	95 04	
savings bank tax,	751 39	
literary fund,	26 84	
of selectmen, rent of hall,	2 00	
Paid selectmen, orders,	<hr/>	\$3,732 20
Feb. 15, cash in treasury,		742 62
		<hr/> \$4,474 82

Mechanics Savings Bankbook, \$171.00
face \$301.66

Received 65 per cent, \$196 07 balance \$105.59

WALTER E. Mc QUESTEN,
Treasurer.

We have this day examined the foregoing report and find the same correctly cast and well vouched.

CLINTON E. LEACH,
AMOS SAUNDERS,
Auditors.

ROAD AGENTS' REPORT

FRED Mc QUESTEN.

To cash received of town,		\$63 05
Paid	Fred Mc Questen,	\$4 00
	G. M. Reid,	2 00
	C. H. Chase,	2 00
	P. G. Goodwin,	1 25
		<hr/> \$9 25

ERNEST P. BLODGETT.

Paid	E. Blodgett,	20
	G. M. Reid,	35
	E. Blodgett,	60
	G. M. Reid,	70
	E. Blodgett,	60
	G. M. Reid,	1 05
	G. M. Reid,	50
	G. M. Reid,	70
	E. Blodgett,	1 00
	G. M. Reid,	75
	E. Blodgett,	1 00
	G. M. Reid,	75
	E. Blodgett,	1 00
	G. M. Reid,	1 75
	E. Blodgett,	60
	G. M. Reid,	45
	E. Blodgett,	1 00
	E. Blodgett,	50
	J. A. Reid,	30
		<hr/> \$13 80

DAVID R. LEACH.

Paid	P. B. Annis,	\$15 05
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Paid	Everett Dyer,	\$1 50	
	C. E. Leach,	4 17	
	James Hopwood,	1 05	
	Clarence Haight,	75	
	Charles Haight,	75	
	N. C. Griffin,	75	
	D. R. Leach,	14 50	
		<hr/>	\$38 52
Amount on hand,			1 48
			<hr/>
			\$40 00
			\$63 05

JOHN E. LEFAVOR.

To cash received of town, \$140 72

Paid	J. H. Tolles & Co., lumber,	\$1 94	
	G. H. Woods, labor,	6 00	
	G. H. Woods, gravel,	3 00	
	town of Hudson, for road machine,	3 00	
	G. N. Dooley labor,	1 40	
	J. F. Annis, labor,	2 85	
	Clarence Haight, labor,	3 50	
	Charles Haight, labor,	3 50	
	Will Annis, labor,	20 22	
	F. L. Center, gravel,	2 66	
	M. M. Campbell, labor and gravel,	5 54	
	Frank Holden, labor,	4 80	
	Amos Saunders, labor,	15 40	
	Alfred Shepard, labor,	60	
	Willie Shepard, labor,	60	
	G. L. Danforth, labor,	4 20	
	G. L. Danforth, labor,	4 77	
	G. L. Putnam, labor,	2 50	
	E. O. Putnam, labor,	8 75	
	J. E. Lefavor, labor,	43 99	
	A. L. Davis, labor,	1 50	
		<hr/>	\$140 72

LIBRARY REPORT

The Board of Trustees of the Public Library herewith submit the Sixteenth Annual Report.

At the regular Annual Meeting, held at the Library room, Rev. J. P. Newell was re-elected president and treasurer, Mrs. Anne A. Bancroft, secretary and Mrs. Jennie F. Center, librarian

The venerable president devoted his best energies to the management of library details and his success has placed him as permanent chairman throughout the existence of the institution.

Mrs. Center also retains the office of librarian for the same term.

That the town has maintained a Free Public Library for fifteen consecutive years proves conclusively that the educational spirit is abroad and that access to the writings of standard authors on Biography, History, Science, Literature, Fiction and Travel is of itself a liberal education, whose broadening influence should eliminate partisan or sectarian power, believing that "the welfare of each is bound up in the common good of all." With a government based on the consent of the governed and due consideration for law, the foundation stands intact while we rear the library side by side with the church and the schoolhouse which the early settlers planted on the rugged hilltops and in the fertile valleys of New England.

It is gratifying to note the growth of the town library and to merit the appreciation of public spirited citizens, not alone among ourselves, but of one whose boyhood days were passed amid scenes of unwritten history in our little town and whose later day memories centered on his birthplace and who with generous hand placed in our keeping an inheritance toward which we turn in gratitude. In behalf of the town we would take this opportunity to express our appreciation of the kindly spirit which prompted our late esteemed friend, Mr. John Kennard of Manchester, to give the Litchfield Free Public Library, Five Hundred Dollars for the purchase of books.

During the past year a book case has been added by the town for the receipt of all the books belonging thereto. Those on hand were supplemented by 82 volumes consisting of N. H. reports

1892-1905, 3 vols. each, 1894-95-96-97-1901-02-05 excepted. N. H. Court reports, 52 vols. Gen. Laws, 1878. Index of Laws of N. H., 1679-1883. N. H. Citation. Perkins Statue Dedication. Manual of N. H. Constitution. Register of N. H. Soldiers and Sailors, War of Rebellion.

Fifty-six books have been added by purchase and six by the State. Four volumes were bound copies of the Century Magazine at the Librarian's report will show. We also have received the Geneology of the Goodspeed family, presented by Henry T. Goodspeed of Nashua. This work is of fine quality and of special interest to the descendants of that name.

We would again call attention to the Scrap-book which contains clippings of interest to the town which have been taken from Press articles which gave space to the record of interesting events. Today the work commands little attention but in the future these carefully arranged items will be of great historical value. All citizens and former residents are earnestly solicited to aid in this work by presenting such articles at the library for the purpose of preservation.

The original opening day from 3 to 5 Saturday afternoons has been observed throughout the year.

Another year has found our library room in that attractive location made desirable by the courtesy of Mrs. Clarissa Griffin who still contributes to the pleasure of the town.

A vacancy in the Board has been created by the departure of Rev. William J. Ballou, who had served as trustee for one year. Other retiring trustees are Rev. J. P. Newell and Mrs. Anne A. Bancroft.

ANNE A. BANCROFT,

For the Trustees.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF PUBLIC LIBRARY

The Treasurer of the Board of Trustees of the Town Library hereby submits his annual report.

Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1907,	\$40 83	
Received from town,	70 00	
	<hr/>	\$110 83

Paid for books,	\$35 00	
fuel,	1 25	
books,	25 00	
salary of librarian,	26 00	
Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1908,	23 58	
	<hr/>	\$110 83

J. P. NEWELL,

Treasurer.

SUPPLEMENTARY CATALOG

FEB. 15, 1907—FEB. 15, 1908.

Baker, Cornelia. Young People in Old Places,	T	1316
Barr, Amelia E. The Man Between,	F	1336
Benson, Arthur Christopher. The Altar Fire,	M	1361
Buckley, T. A. Homer's Iliad (First six books,)	L	1342
Browne, George Waldo. The St. Lawrence River,	T	1315
Bryce, James. The American Commonwealth,	M	1320
Buckley, T. A. Odyssey	L	1343
Carey, Rosa Nouchette. The Angel of Forgiveness	F	1349
Century Magazine (bound) Vol. 29 1896	M	1311
Vol. 30 1896	M	1312
Vol. 33 1898	M	1313
Vol. 34 1898	M	1314
Clemens, Samuel L. (Mark Twain) Christian Science	M	1321
Conn, Dr. Granville P. N. H. Surgeons in the Rebel-		
lion,	H	1378
Comstock, Harriet. Janet of the Dunes,	F	1364
Dillon, Mary. The Leader,	F	1324
Donnell, Annie Hamilton. The Very Small Person,	J	1328
Douglas, Amanda M. Honor Sherburne,	F	1329
In the Sherburne Line,	F	1370
Dumas, Alexandre. The Court of Monte Cristo, Vol. 1, F		1367
Vol. II, F		1368
Duncan, Norman. The Cruise of the Shining Light	F	1371
Eggleston, Edward. Stories of American Life and		
Adventure,	H	1341
Goodspeed Genealogy. Goodspeed Genealogy	B	1372
Greene, Sarah P. Mc Lean. Power Lot,	F	1319
Grenfell, Wilfred T. Off the Rocks,	T	1317
Hale, Edward Everett. Memories of One Hundred		
Years,	H	1347
Hall, Eliza Calvert. Aunt Jane of Kentucky,	F	1359

Henty, George A. In Clive's Command,	H	1344
Harben, Will N. Mam' Linda,	F	1353
Harrison, Peleg D. The Stars and Stripes,	H	1333
Haymen, Doris. Tales from Longfellow,	M	1334
Huling, Caroline A. Letters of a business woman to her niece,	M	1318
Hyne, C. J. Cutcliffe. Kate Meredith,	F	1345
Jackson, Frederick G. A Thousand Days in the Arctic,	T	1362
Kipling, Rudyard, Puck of Pook's Hill,	F	1332
Kipling, Rudyard, Barrack Room Ballads,	D	1330
Lanier, Sidney. The Boy's King Arthur,	H	1322
Lee, Jennette. Uncle William,	F	1338
Lincoln, Joseph C. The "Old Home House",	F	1337
Little Francis. The Lady of the Decoration,	F	1339
Lorimer, George Horace. Gorgon Graham's letters to his son,	M	1366
Maclaren, Ian (John Watson). Graham of Claver- house,	F	1346
Michelson, Miriam. In the Bishop's Carriage,	F	1365
Mighels, Philip Verrill. Dunny,	F	1327
Morgan, James. Theodore Roosevelt,	B	1354
Munn, Charles Clark. Boyhood Days on the Farm	F	1358
Parker, Gilbert. The Weavers,	F	1352
Phelps-Ward, Elizabeth Stuart. Walled In,	F	1351
Porter, Jane. The Scottish Chiefs,	F	1369
Reed, Myrtle. A Spinner in the Sun,	F	1326
Rollins, Frank West. What can a Young Man Do?	M	1357
Ruhl, Arthur. A Break in Training,	M	1340
Stevenson, Robert Louis. Poems,	D	1331
Van Dyke, Henry. Days Off,	L	1355
Waller, M. E. A Daughter of the Rich,	F	1348
Waller, M. E. The Wood-Carver of Lympus,	F	1363
Wharton, Edith, The Fruit of the Tree	F	1360
White, Stuart Edward. The Pass,	F	1323
Wiggin, Kate Douglas. New Chronicles of Rebecca,	J	1350
Wilkins-Freeman, Mary E. The Fair Lavinia, Doe Gordon,	F	1356
Wilson, Harry Leon. The Boss of Little Arcady	F	1325

DONATIONS.

National Magazine,	Miss S. P. Bixby
Review of Reviews,	Rev. J. P. Newell
Century,	Ladies' Social Circle
Century, 4 volumes bound,	Ladies' Social Circle
Goodspeed Genealogy,	Henry T. Goodspeed
Janet of the Dunes,	Jennie F. Center
New Hampshire Annual Reports, 4 volumes,	H 1374-1377
Journals N. H. Senate and House, 1907,	H 1373
N. H. Surgeons in the Rebellion,	H 1378
Total number of volumes, 1378	
Added during the year, 68	
Loaned, 1040	
Loaned to schools and children, 147	

Respectfully Submitted

JENNIE F. CENTER,

Librarian.



REPORT OF SCHOOL BOARD

During the present year we have tried our best to employ competent teachers. We urge the necessity of cooperation of parents and teachers to bring about success. Owing to the number of children leaving for higher schools it was thought best to close No. 3 school, thus having only two schools in town in session at the close of the winter term. In number 2 school a marked improvement is observed, owing to an experienced and conscientious teacher. No. 4 school has a young teacher, but one who is faithful in the discharge of her duties and enjoys her work. We still contend that consolidation of all the schools is the thing to be desired, also, "expert supervision" before our schools reach that state of excellence which is only obtained through grading and actual knowledge of the work to be done.

ROLL OF PERFECT ATTENDANCE

ONE TERM.

Harmon E. Leach, May E. Reid, Sylvester Reid, Ruth W. McQuesten, Earle J. Hopwood.

THREE TERMS.

Genie S. Danforth.

STATISTICAL SCHOOL REPORT

TEACHERS	No. of School	No. Weeks School	Wages per Month	No. of Scholars	No. of Visitors	Visits by school board
Mrs. K. Broadhead	3	10	32	9	11	9
Mrs. K. Broadhead	3	10	36	8	8	6
Miss E. Mc Kelvie	3	5	26	3	2	3
Miss M. Rogers	2	10	36	14	22	8
Miss M. Rogers	2	10	40	17	4	6
Miss Julia Bixby	2	12	40	14		6
Miss R. Grant	4	10	28	6	9	8
Miss F. Landers	4	10	26	6	9	8
Miss F. Landers	4	12	28	9	32	4

Studies taught: Reading, Spelling, Arithmetic, Grammar, Composition, Physiology, Geography, History, Penmanship, Drawing, Algebra.

Respectfully Submitted,

MRS. CARABEL B. GRIFFIN,
JAMES HOPWOOD,
MRS. MARGARET A. LEACH,
School Committee.

REPORT OF SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER

Balance left in treasury, March 1, 1907,		\$91 22
Raised by school tax,	\$847 50	
for tuitions,	100 00	
for repairs,	75 00	
Literary fund,	22 00	
Dog license,	38 65	
	<hr/>	\$1,174 37

DISBURSEMENTS.

No. 2 School.

Paid for teaching,	\$329 00	
janitor work,	6 50	
cleaning school,	3 50	
fuel,	12 10	
repairs,	10 65	
	<hr/>	\$361 75

No. 3 School.

Paid for teaching,	\$219 50	
janitor work,	7 50	
cleaning school,	3 10	
fuel,	14 50	
	<hr/>	\$244 60

No. 4 School.

Paid for teaching,	\$232 50	
janitor work,	6 00	
cleaning school,	2 75	
fuel,	8 50	
repairs,	3 40	
	<hr/>	\$253 15

SCHOOL SUPPLIES.

Brooms,	\$ 70	
Stamps, telephoning and car fares,	3 20	
Arithmetics and readers,	2 24	
	<hr/>	\$6 14

TUITIONS.

Nashua High School,	\$25 00	
Mc Gaw institute,	81 00	
	<hr/>	\$106 00
School district of Hudson,	\$24 00	
	<hr/>	\$24 00

Car fares for Genie Danforth,		
Car fares for Amy Danforth,		
	<hr/>	\$13 40

Taking table maps etc. from No. 3 school to No. 4.	\$1 00	
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Total receipts,	\$1,174 37	
Total disbursements,	1,010 04	
Balance in treasury,	<hr/>	\$164 33

JAMES HOPWOOD,

School Treasurer.

We have this day examined the foregoing report and find the same correctly cast and well vouched.

AMOS SAUNDERS,
CLINTON E. LEACH,

Auditors.

VITAL STATISTICS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF MARE

<i>Date</i>	<i>Place of Marriage</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Residence of Each</i>	<i>Age</i>	<i>Occupation</i>	
June 10		Ralph P. Farmer Winifred Blanchard	Litchfield Manchester		Sub. Station Saleswoman	B W

BIR

<i>Date</i>	<i>Name of Child</i>	<i>Sex</i>	<i>Color</i>	<i>Living Stillb'n</i>	<i>No. of Child</i>	<i>Name of Father</i>
Mar. 27	Arthur W. Ford	Male	White	Living	3	Ira D. Ford

DEA

<i>Date</i>	<i>Place of Death</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Age</i>	<i>Place of Birth</i>	<i>Sex</i>	<i>Condition</i>	<i>Occupatio</i>
			Y M D				
Jan. 1	Litchfield	Orra M. Leach	86 1 9		F	Widow	
Jan. 1	Litchfield	Irving W. Torrey	24 7 2	Cherryfield, M	M	Single	Electrician
Feb. 21	Litchfield	John L. Senter	67 7 2	Londonderry	M	Married	Farmer
Nov. 11	Litchfield	James McQuesten	73 22	Litchfield	M	Married	Farmer
Jan. 21	Brought to town	for interment					
Jan. 21	Nashua	Hannah Bullock	92 5 7	Litchfield	F	Single	
Jan. 23	Hudson	John Parker	60 7 2	Londonderry	M	Widow	Butcher
Nov. 16	Cleveland, Ohio	Sarah Bixby	78 2 11	Litchfield	F	Single	

I certify that the above is a true record of Births, Deaths and Marriages reported

CHFIELD, FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1907

AGES

<i>Birth</i>	<i>Name of Parents</i>	<i>Birthplace of Parents</i>	<i>Occupation</i>	<i>Name and Official Station of person by whom married</i>
wa cord	Charles W. Farmer Addie G. Marshall David I. Blanchard Etta C. Sanborn	Manchester Manchester New York Salisbury	Farmer Houswife Deceased Cook	Thomas Chalmere Clergyman

HS

<i>Maiden Name of Mother</i>	<i>Residence of Parents</i>	<i>Occupation of Father</i>	<i>Birthplace of Father</i>	<i>Birthplace of Mother</i>
ia R. Mc Cue	Litchfield	Farmer	Lowell, Mass.	Ireland

HS

<i>Name of Father</i>	<i>Maiden Name of Mother</i>	<i>Father's Birthplace</i>	<i>Mother's Birthplace</i>	<i>Cause of Death</i>
uben Barnes lwin J. Torrey ngdon Senter an'elMcQuesten	Rebecca Martin Emma Willey Araline Thayer Alice Bryant	Litchfield Deblois, Me. Hudson Litchfield	Deblois, Me. Braintree, Ms. Leominster, Ms.	Senile Debility Electric Shock Cereb'l Hemorage Diabetic Coma
ward Parker urker Bixby	Mary Kendall Mary Porter	New Hampshire	Litchfield St. Stephens, N. B.	Heart Disease Heart Disease Maramus

he Town Clerk of Litchfield, N. H., for the year ending Dec. 31, 1907.

I. N. CENTER, Town Clerk.

